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Attorney Docket: 97895.00086

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of : )

Robert A. Aekins, et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2833

Serial No. 09/982,073 ) Examiner: Hammond, Brigitte R.

Filed: October 17, 2001 ) Confirmation No. 8240

For: DUAL REACTANCE LOW NOISE MODULAR CONNECTOR INSERT

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**TRANSMITTAL OF AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Dear Sir:

1. Transmitted herewith please find the following in connection with the above-identified application:
  - Amendment And Response to Office Action Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116;
  - Petition and Fee for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)1; and
  - Return post card.
2. The Applicant is not a small entity.
3.  No additional fee is required.  
  
 The fee has been calculated as shown below:

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Date: November 29, 2004 | Name: Joan Simmons | Signature: *Joan Simmons*

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total*	29	-	52 =	0 x	18.00	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	5	-	6 =	0 x	88.00	\$ 0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims**					300.00	\$ 0
						Total: \$ 0.00

\* Includes all independent and single independent claims and all claims referred to in multiple dependent claims. See 37 CFR §1.75(c).

\*\* If claims added by amendment include Multiple Dependent Claims and there were no Multiple Dependent Claims in application before amendment add \$145.00

4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this amendment, or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 50-1402. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.**

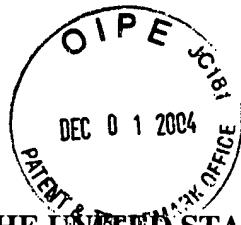
Respectfully submitted,

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action (final rejection) mailed on August 11, 2004 in connection with the above-referenced application. By the present submission, applicants have placed the application in condition for allowance by: (i) amending to place in independent form those claims that were indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form, and (ii) cancelling – without prejudice – those claims that were subject to art-based rejections. Reconsideration and prompt allowance of the present application, as amended, are respectfully requested.

The remainder of this submission includes the following:

**Amendments to the Specification:** None.

**Amendments to the Claims:** begin on Page 2 of this paper.

**Amendment to the Drawings:** None.

**Remarks/Arguments:** begin on Page 10 of this paper.